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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. NICHOLS
MR. BOARDMAN
MR. BELMONT
MR. ROSEN

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This morning following the conference in the Deputy Attorney General's office, Mr. Rogers inquired of me as to whether I was satisfied with the De Galindez memorandum of instruction which the Attorney General was proposing to issue.

I told Mr. Rogers that I was not at all happy with the final outcome; that I had indicated by memorandum and had also indicated in the conference with the Attorney General a few days ago that I much preferred to have all complaints relative to alleged kidnapings or missing persons submitted by the Bureau to the Criminal Division and to have the Criminal Division accept the responsibility for the decision as to whether or not the Bureau should carry jurisdiction under the Federal Kidnaping Statute. Mr. Rogers stated that obviously this was not desirable and he knew the Attorney General was opposed to it and approved thoroughly the procedures which had been handled by the Bureau. I told Mr. Rogers that that may be, but I was sick and tired of the guerrilla warfare which Assistant Attorney General Olney had been carrying on against the FBI in this matter and I had neither the time nor the inclination to be the recipient of a flow of unwarranted and impertinent memorandums, such as Mr. Olney had been sending.

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Mr. Rogers stated that he felt that with the memorandum which the Attorney General would issue, the Bureau's position would be firmly established and there would be no further memorandums of the kind to which I had objected from Mr. Olney. Mr. Rogers stated that he did not understand why Mr. Olney would address such memorandums to the Bureau in view of the high regard in which Mr. Olney considered the Bureau and myself as the Director. I told Mr. Rogers that I did not reciprocate Mr. Olney's sentiments.

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Very truly yours,

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